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members' information newsletter

Meeting Number Two

The second meeting was held at Parramatta between Management and your Negotiating Team on Tuesday 14th February 2012

Management was asked if leaving the Admin & Support Staff off the bargaining notification letter was because they wanted to exclude them from the EA or was this just an administrative error. Management's reply was they believed that all Admin & Support Employees who were covered by the EA were sent letters and they believed those people were covered under the Operation and Maintenance banners. After replies to other questions the RTBU was not satisfied that all positions now covered under the EA would remain and as such will formally write to the company their response in writing.

The RTBU gave Management the RTBU version of the proposed EA, excluding some clauses that are yet to be completed and reserved our right to adjust as required until an "in principle" document is produced. We then outlined and explained the clauses we wish to change / add while going through the proposed document.

Management then gave an outline of their position on the clauses they wish to change, with a number of these being as follows: Sign on / Sign off other than at a Depot (virtual depots) Removal of Excess Travel Payment if you live closer to the new sign on location remove DIL – payment only for Public Holidays Include Hexham up roads as a remote sign on/ sign off location Remove all shift limitations under 11 hours Remove Crewing configurations from Tahmoor service and Y link/ Sefton Junction Reduce everyone back to 2 days sick leave without a Doctors Certificate/Stat Dec Build on current PIP (fuel miser etc.) and the one that has prompted the writing of the letter (above) the removal of Admin, Logistics and Engineering people from EA coverage.

Although agreement had previously been reached to meet on the 21/02/2012 the Company requested that this date be deferred until the 28/02/2012 so they had more time to prepare their clauses / proposals.

We will continue to assess the usefulness of the Companies request to meet 1 day per fortnight to ensure this does not cause the negotiations to become drawn out and thus frustrate the timely finalisation to the negotiations.

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Additional Depot Delegates will be included, when Depot Specific items are being negotiated.

Scheduled Meetings

DATE

VENUE

28th February

Parramatta

Are Your Details Up To Date

Members are reminded that it is vitally important that your mailing address, phone numbers & email address are up to date – Contact your Depot Organiser to ensure everything is correct

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